

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the application.

1. - 12. (Canceled)

13. (previously presented) A vehicle sound system, comprising:

a port capable of being connected to a disc changer;

one or more speaker outputs;

one or more processor readable storage devices capable of storing user replaceable interface program code and music data files, said one or more processor readable storage devices includes a removably connected hard disk drive, said hard disk drive stores said music data files in a compressed format; and

one or more processors in communication with said one or more processor readable storage devices and said port and said one or more speaker outputs, at least one of said one or more processors engages in two-way communication with said disc changer based on said replaceable interface program code, at least one of said one or more processors plays said music data files, said at least one processor that plays said music data files accesses said music data files from said hard disk drive, said one or more processor readable storage devices include a memory device;

said one or more processors perform a method comprising the steps of:

determining whether new replaceable interface program code is to be loaded,

reading said new replaceable interface program code from said hard disk drive if said new replaceable interface code is to be loaded, and

storing said new replaceable interface code on said memory device if said new replaceable interface code is to be loaded.

14. (Canceled)

15. (previously presented) A vehicle sound system according to claim 13, further comprising:

a dock connected to a computer, said hard disk drive is capable of being removably connected to said dock, said hard disk drive receives said compressed music data files from said dock.

16. (previously presented) A vehicle sound system according to claim 13, wherein: said user replaceable interface program code is stored on said hard disk drive.

17. (Canceled)

18. (previously presented) A vehicle sound system according to claim 13, further comprising:

a radio tuner; and

a switch, said switch having a first input receiving music from said disc changer, a second input receiving music from said radio tuner, a third input receiving music from based on said music data files, and an output communicated to said speakers.

19. (Original) A vehicle sound system according to claim 13, further including:

a control panel, said control panel includes one or more buttons dedicated to control said disc changer.

20.-26. (Canceled)

27. (previously presented) A vehicle sound system, comprising:

a control panel;

a port capable of being in communication with a disc changer, said control panel has one or more controls dedicated to operating said disc changer;

one or more speaker outputs;

a processor readable storage device storing music data;

two or more processors in communication with said processor readable storage device, said port, said control panel and said one or more speaker outputs;

a radio tuner; and

an audio switch having a first input receiving music from said disc changer, a second input receiving music from said radio tuner, a third input receiving music based on said music data, and an output communicated to said speakers;

said two or more processors includes a first processor and a second processor, said first processor is in communication with said disc changer and said control panel and said audio switch, said second processor is in communication with said audio switch and plays music stored on said processor readable storage device;

said processor readable storage device includes a removably connected hard disk drive in communication with said second processor and capable of being separately connected to a computing device.

28. (Original) A vehicle sound system according to claim 27, wherein:
said control panel has one or more controls dedicated to operating said disc changer.

29. – 31. (Canceled)

32. (previously presented) A vehicle sound system according to claim 27, wherein:
said music data includes compressed digital data files.

33. (previously presented) A vehicle sound system according to claim 27, wherein:
said music data includes files stored in MP3 format.

34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently Amended) A method for playing music, comprising:
receiving and storing first user replaceable music data;
receiving and storing first user replaceable interface program code on a first device;

communicating with a first disc changer, said communicating with said first disc changer is performed by said first device based on said first user replaceable interface program code operating on said first device, said first device is different than said first disc changer;

playing said music data;

receiving and storing second user replaceable interface program code after said step of communicating with a first disc changer; and

communicating with a second disc changer, said communicating with said second disc changer is performed by said first device based on said second user replaceable interface program code operating on said first device, said first device is different than said second disc changer.

36. (Original) A method according to claim 35, further including the step of:
decrypting said second user replaceable interface program code.

37. (Currently Amended) A method for playing music, comprising:

receiving and storing first user replaceable music data;

receiving and storing first user replaceable interface program code on a first device;

communicating with a first disc changer based on said first user replaceable interface program code, said communicating with said first disc changer based on said first user replaceable interface program code is performed by said first device using said first user replaceable interface program code on said first device, said first device is different than said first disc changer;

playing said music data;

receiving and storing second user replaceable interface program code after said step of communicating with a first disc changer; and

communicating with said first disc changer based on said second user replaceable interface program code, said communicating with said first disc changer based on said second user replaceable interface program code is performed by said first device using said second user replaceable interface program code on said first device.

38. – 42. (Canceled)